Are you in The Club?

Summer means warm weather, lazy days and no school, but it also means that it’s time to join the Summer Reading Club at CMPL! *Studies have shown that summer reading programs help keep children’s literacy levels up over summer vacation.* But, it’s not just for kids. It’s for all ages! Join the coolest club in town by signing up for summer reading **starting June 20.**

This year we’re pleased to introduce the prize wheel to the Summer Reading Club. Children who complete ten hours of reading will have a chance to spin the prize wheel with an opportunity to win even cooler prizes! And the winning isn’t just for kids. Parents who register their children for the program will be put into random drawings for a gasoline gift card this summer. We’re also pleased to have the Kona Ice truck visit the **Main Library** on **Thursday afternoons from 2-3 p.m. June 23-August 11.** Buy a flavored ice and help support the library!

Our annual summer scavenger hunt will also kick off the week of June 20. Keep your eyes peeled for our traveling bear around the library and keep track of the places he is visiting for your chance to win a prize. Read inside for details about kickoff events and special activities for all ages this summer!

**Help Celebrate Branch Birthdays this Summer!**

Join us in celebration this summer for branch birthdays starting with two kickoff parties, followed by two weeks of activities for all ages.

Save the dates of **Saturday, August 13** and **Tuesday, August 16** for branch birthday parties! Party activities at each location will include kids’ crafts, face painting, free photos in the Qwik Picz photo booth, raffle prizes and, of course, birthday cake! The Kona Ice truck will be on the premises for those who wish to purchase cool snacks to beat the summer heat.

While you’re waiting for the birthday party celebrations let us know how the branches have impacted your life over the past decade or so. Share your sentiments in a memory book available at the birthday parties or post a comment online at our birthday blog, which can be found at http://cmplbirthday.blogspot.com. **Look for the red balloons on page 4 for more birthday-related events.**
Did you know that one of the most important things you can do to help a child succeed in life is to encourage her or him to read over the summer? Your public library is the perfect partner to help you achieve this goal.

For decades research has shown that children who do not read or have access to books over the summer lose critical reading skills that can put them months behind their peers when they start back to school in the fall. Over the years this has a cumulative effect with a “rich-get-richer” and a “poor-get-poorer” pattern of reading development. Researchers from Johns Hopkins University determined that the consequences of this achievement gap account for major differences in high school completion and four year college attendance.

The good news is that the solution is an easy one. Children who read as few as six books over the course of the summer can maintain their reading skills at a level achieved in the preceding school year. According to a recent New York Times article, studies show that children learn best when they are allowed to select their own books. It did not matter if the books were classics, curriculum books on an accelerated reading list, or just an ordinary book. In fact, the most popular book during the first year of the study was a biography of Britney Spears. While age appropriateness and a family’s values should be taken into consideration when selecting materials, finding books that cultivate and reflect a child’s interests is critical for success.

As your local public library we are pleased to partner with you to keep your kids reading this summer. We have over 122,000 books for babies, children, tweens and teens. These cover every topic imaginable from traditional childhood favorites to series to a wide variety of new books including all Newberry and Caldecott award winners. If your child is a reluctant reader or doesn’t know where to start, please visit, call, email or IM one of our professional librarians who will be happy to work with you on finding suitable titles.

Enroll your child in our summer reading program. This will help you and your child track their progress and meet the goal of keeping them reading in a fun and rewarding way. We hope that you will make a visit to the library as part of your weekly routine to attend programs and maintain a fresh rotating collection of books and other items to hold your child’s interest.

It is also a fact that families who share reading experiences raise children who read well. We offer summer reading programs for adults, so you can serve as a good example to your children and share in the fun. In an age where family members seem to be increasingly isolated by “doing their own thing” with texting, smart phones, personal DVD players, think of how fun it could be with a family discussion about what everyone is reading! And last, consider coming to the Friends’ Mini Used Book Sale on June 24 and 25 (see back cover for details). There will be hard back books for sale at low prices for the whole family.

We look forward to seeing you and your family in the library soon.

Larry P. Neal | Library Director | (586) 226-5011 | lneal@cmpl.org

Visit Yasu City, Japan this Summer

Clinton Township’s sister city Yasu City, Japan is located 500 miles away from the earthquake and tsunami that devastated the country in March. The Clinton Township-Yasu City Cultural Exchange Program still plans to travel to Yasu City this summer and is accepting applications the trip scheduled for July 7-18. The mission of this program is to promote global awareness and understanding between the residents of Clinton Township and Yasu City through the cultural exchange of students, teachers, residents, business and government leaders. This is a rare opportunity and a chance to live with a traditional Japanese family, learn and experience their rich culture, tradition and heritage. It is not required that you live in Clinton Township to participate. For more information, please contact Nieves McRoberts-Lukasik at (586) 598-3545 or send an email at nievespmc@yahoo.com.
Exciting New Technology Enhancements!
In May we’ll be launching the mobile version of the CMPL website. Your smart phone should redirect you to the mobile version, which will be more streamlined for mobile browsing. In addition to a new mobile design we have other exciting technology upgrades:

- Text messages for held or overdue items (in addition to your standard email/phone calls)
- Wireless printing at all three CMPL locations
- Text It! (send a call number to your phone for easier shelf-hunting)
- eBook download app for iPhone, iPad and Android phones

Photo Scanner
The Friends of the Library recently purchased a photo scanner, which can scan approximately 30 photos per minute. You simply load the stack of photos you’d like scanned to the scan tray and the scanner will do the work of rotating, sorting and naming the files for you. Just bring a USB drive along with your photos and visit the Local History Room at the Main Library to get started with this free service. A big thank you goes out to the Friends whose generosity allows us to offer unique items such as this to the community.

We’d also like you to help us populate our digital archive of local history. If you have photos from the area, we’d love it if you used the scanner to upload those pictures to Flickr and share them with the community. Learn how to use the new scanner and how to upload photos on Monday, May 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Local History Room. Registration begins May 9. Call 226-5040 to register.

Online Resources Uncovered
OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS IN CONTEXT
Are you a student who has just been assigned a topic paper? Did you ever wish that you had more facts at hand when discussing social issues? Are you an adult who would like to be better informed so you can participate more confidently in discussions and, yes, even disagreements on contemporary and controversial issues?

Opposing Viewpoints is a database that covers the current hot-button social issues. There are more than 5,000 topic overviews. Each topic has links to articles, videos and podcasts pertinent to your subject search. New reference content is added daily from full-text periodicals and news articles to ensure that the information is absolutely current. The topics are explored from all perspectives.

Robust in content and very “browseable,” this database presents material topics and data for research and writing assignments, presentations and debates. Visit www.cmpl.org, click on the Research and Homework tab and then select “Opposing Viewpoints” from the drop-down A-Z Database List near the bottom of the page. You may search from issues under topic headings or click “Issues” in the top navigation for a huge list of topics.

All library users may access this database from inside the library. If accessing from home, you will be prompted for your barcode number and you must be a resident of Clinton Township or Macomb Township.

Buy a Donut, Support the Library!
Visit the Dunkin’ Donuts located at 4 South Groesbeck, on the corner of Groesbeck and Cass, in the months of June and July and the owners of the store will donate a portion of the proceeds to CMPL. Bring in the Dunkin’ Donuts library coupon, which will be available online and at all CMPL locations, or this newsletter to the store when you make your purchase.
CMPL Book Groups
CMPL offers four different book discussion groups to appeal to all types of book lovers. Simply read the book and show up ready to discuss it. Copies of the books are available at the location of the book discussion one month in advance of the program.

Main Library: Novel Conversations meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m.

May 12: Just Kids by Patti Smith
June 9: The Well and the Mine by Gin Phillips
July 14: People of the Book by Geraldine Brooks
August 11: The Crying Tree by Naseem Rakha

South Branch: Meet other book lovers on the second Saturday of the month at 12 p.m.

May 14: These Things Hidden by Heather Gudenkauf
June 11: Major Pettigrew’s Last Stand by Helen Simonson
July 9: The Madonnas of Leningrad by Debra Dean

North Branch: Mystery lovers meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m.

May 17: Hollywood Station by Joseph Wambaugh
June 21: Out of Sight by Elmore Leonard
July 19: Don’t Tell a Soul by David Rosenfelt
August 16: Fear the Worst by Linwood Barclay

Brown Bag Book Discussion
Looking for a daytime book discussion? The Brown Bag Book Discussion meets on the first Wednesday of the month at the Main Library from 12-1 p.m. Copies of the book can be picked up at the Main Library. Bring your lunch and discuss a great book with us on the following dates:

May 4: Water for Elephants by Sara Gruen
June 1: Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet by Jamie Ford
July 6: Then We Came to the End by Joshua Ferris
August 3: Freakonomics by Steven D. Levitt

Get Ready for Branch Birthday Parties!
Save the dates of Saturday, August 13 from 1-5 p.m. for the South Branch and Tuesday, August 16 from 4-7 p.m. for the North Branch birthday parties. We’re having parties at both locations and you won’t want to miss out!

There may also be a few surprise guests and Director Larry Neal will say a few words to commemorate the events. No registration is required at North, but registration is required at South. Call 226-5073 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register if you plan to attend the party at the South Branch. We can’t wait to share our birthdays with you!

South Birthday Craft
Children ages 3 and up are invited to make a special birthday craft as part of the South Branch’s birthday celebration! Crafts for kids will be on Saturday, August 13 at 1:30 p.m. Registration begins July 30. Call 226-5073 or visit www.cmpl.org to register.

Design Your Own Pinwheel
Children ages 4-10 are invited to make a pinwheel. Visit the North Branch anytime between 10 and 11:30 a.m. to design a pinwheel as part of our branch birthday celebration on Tuesday, August 16. Registration begins July 30. Call 226-5083 or visit the www.cmpl.org to register.

Birthday Clues Contest
Starting Monday, August 15 through Friday, August 26 kids ages 12 and under and their parents can count how many cupcakes are hidden throughout North and South Branches. Pick your home branch to participate. The person with the best guess wins a gift certificate to Cold Stone Creamery.
CMPL is pleased to offer a film series for adults. Movies are shown in the auditorium of the Main Library. Please note that it can get chilly in the room and you may wish to bring a light sweater.

**Wednesday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, May 19 at 1 p.m.: The Social Network.** This film tells the story of the founders of the social-networking website, Facebook. Adapted from Ben Mezrich’s book *The Accidental Billionaires: The Founding of Facebook, A Tale of Sex, Money, Genius and Betrayal.* You don’t get to 500 million friends without making a few enemies! *Rated PG-13, 120 minutes.*

**Wednesday, June 8 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, June 16 at 1 p.m.: Morning Glory.** For Becky, running a TV show in New York City was the big break she dreamed of, until star co-anchors Mike and Colleen declare an all-out, on-air war. Making the show work with its cast of eccentric characters and outrageous story angles will take a major miracle, but Becky is ready to rise to the occasion. *Rated PG-13, 102 minutes.*

**Wednesday, July 13 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, July 21 at 1 p.m.: Country Strong.** A drama centered on a rising country-music songwriter who sparks with a fallen star. Together they mount his ascent and her comeback, which leads to romantic complications involving her husband/manager and a beauty queen-turned-singer. *Rated PG-13, 112 minutes.*

**Wednesday, August 10 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, August 18 at 1 p.m.: True Grit.** Following the murder of her father by hired hand Tom Chaney, farm girl Mattie Ross sets out to capture the killer. To aid her, she hires the toughest U.S. marshal she can find, Reuben J. “Rooster” Cogburn. They are joined by Texas Ranger LaBoeuf and the unlikely trio find danger and surprises on their journey. *Rated PG-13, 110 minutes.*
Are you in The Club?
Travel the world through stories, songs and crafts when you join children's Summer Reading Club. Reading charts will be available beginning June 20. Kids from babies through grade 5 can mark their progress on the One World game board. Independent readers will mark the time spent reading while babies and kids not yet reading will keep track of the books that are read to them. All reading and listening time must be recorded by August 6. Children who finish 15 hours or 60 books will be entered in a drawing for a grand prize given at each location. One lucky child from our service area will win a Nintendo DSi! Winners will be announced at our final programs on August 9.

The Club Kickoff Events!
Get your summer started with three great summer reading kickoff programs!

- The musical duo Gemini will share songs from around the world at the Main Library on Monday, June 20 at 2 p.m. Their infectious music will have you humming all day. No registration is needed.

On Wednesday, June 22 at 10:30 a.m. Zippity2Dads will be at the South Branch with their family concert, Feed Your Mind.

The North Branch welcomes Tom Seley on Wednesday, June 22 at 1:30 p.m. His special blend of pop music is just right for the elementary audience. For ages 12 and under.

Sidewalk Chalk
Create your own world on a sidewalk square at the Main Library on Thursday, June 30 from 9 a.m.–12 p.m. You bring the chalk, we’ll provide the sidewalk. This program is for kids 4–12.

Toddler activities & crafts
Kids ages 2-4 are invited to Join us at the Main Library for crafts and other activities on the following Saturdays at 10 a.m.: July 16, July 30 and August 13.

Just Dance!
Get your groove on at the North Branch as we play Just Dance games on Friday, June 24 at 2 p.m. This program is for ages 6-12.

Fancy Nancy
Do you like Fancy Nancy? Come dressed up in your fanciest and attend tea at the Main Library on Saturday, May 14 at 10:30 a.m. There will be snacks, crafts and Fancy Nancy stories. This program is for kids up to age 6.

Enrollment Information

- When you see this it means that enrollment is required before the program.
- Priority enrollment is given to residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships at the Main Library and North Branch and opens two weeks prior to the event for residents and one week in advance for non-residents.
- The South Branch will continue to offer enrollment for residents and non-residents two weeks in advance.

A library card is required for registration so please have your barcode handy when registering. We cannot accommodate group enrollment for events. You can always register online.

Main Library 226-5030
North Branch 226-5083
South Branch 226-5073

= Registration is required. Two weeks prior for residents. One week prior for non-residents.
Story Times
Join us for stories and songs that will help promote literacy skills in children birth-age 6. Please have your library card ready when you register. If you cannot make it, we ask that you give us a quick call and let us know. If we miss you for the first two weeks, we will give your spot to the next person on the waiting list.

Story time will run the week of June 27 through August 1. Resident enrollment begins June 13. Nonresident enrollment begins June 20. Registration is not required for the South Branch.

Main Library
Mondays at 9:30 a.m. (2 - 11 months)
Mondays at 10:30 a.m. (12 - 36 months)
Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2 - 3 years)
Tuesdays at 11 a.m. (11 - 24 months)
Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (2-3 years)
Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. (2 - 3 years)
Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. (3 - 5 years)

North Branch
Wednesdays 9:15 a.m. (12 - 24 months)
Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. (3 - 6 years)
Wednesdays 11:15 a.m. (12 - 24 months)
Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. (0 - 11 months)
Thursdays 10:30 a.m. (2 - 3 years)
Thursdays 11:15 a.m. (2 - 3 years)

South Branch
Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. (2 years old and up)
Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. (2 years old and up)

Pajama-Rama
Wear your jammies to the South Branch on Wednesday, May 18 at 6:30 p.m. to hear stories and have a bedtime snack. No registration is required.

Bedtime Stories
Children ages 0-5 are invited to put on their jammies and come to the Main Library for bedtime story time on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Join us on the following dates: May 19, June 16, July 21 and August 18. No registration is required.

Foreign Language Story Time
Come to the Main Library for one of our special story times in a foreign language. All are welcome. They will be on the following Tuesdays at 2 p.m.:

- June 28: Albanian
- July 19: Spanish
- July 12: French
- July 26: Italian

Parachute Games
Children ages 2 and up can get their wiggles out playing with our parachute at the South Branch on Tuesday, June 14 at 9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

Drawing in 3-D
Bring your drawings to life by making them 3-D. Award-winning artist Mark Kistler will share his talents for drawing on Saturday, July 16. He will be at the South Branch at 10:30 a.m. and the Main Library at 1:30 p.m. This program is for children 5 and older.

Paper Airplanes
Learn to make various styles of paper airplanes in this hands-on craft program at the North Branch. Visit us on Monday, June 27 at 2 p.m. This program is for ages 6-12.

Movie Matinee
Children ages 12 and under are invited to the North Branch on Thursday, July 7 at 2 p.m. to see Megamind (Rated PG, 96 minutes).

Magic Tree House
Travel back in time with Jack and Annie to exciting places around the world. Children in grades 1-5 can join us at the South Branch on Monday, July 11 at 2 p.m. for crafts, activities and fun.

Summer Vacation
The following programs are on summer vacation:
- Music and Movement (North)
- Baby Play Time (North)
- School Age Story Time (North and South)
- Pajama-Rama (South)

Look for us again in September!

= Registration is required. Two weeks prior for residents. One week prior for non-residents.
Minute to Win It
This popular game show has come to the North Branch on Monday, July 11 at 2 p.m. Complete zany stunts in 60 seconds or less for candy prizes. This program is for ages 6-12.

Make a Mural
Pull out your paint shirts as we make a mural at the North Branch with fun brushes, paints, and stamps. Kids ages 12 and under can stop by anytime between 10:30 a.m. and noon on Monday, July 25 to add your creativity to the project.

Reptiles in the Library
Back by popular demand, Mike Brophy from R.E.P.T.I.L.E. Inc. will bring a collection of reptiles to the South Branch on Saturday, July 30 at 10:30 a.m. This is your chance to see up-close and learn firsthand more about snakes and lizards. This program is best suited for children ages 5 and older.

International Crafts
Come to the Main Library and create beautiful objects based on traditional crafts from around the world. Please wear clothing you can get messy.

- Thursday, June 30 at 10:30 a.m.
  Mexican Tin Art (Ages 7-10)

- Thursday, July 14 at 10:30 a.m.
  Indian Rangoli Designs (Ages 6-10)

- Thursday, July 28 at 10:30 a.m.
  Origami (Ages 8-12)

Flat Stanley
Flat Stanley is back this summer! Pick up your Flat Stanley at any CMPL location. Since Flat Stanley likes to go to fun and exciting places; take him with you when you go on vacation, on a fun outing with your family, on your school field trip, or any other fun place that you can think of! Take a picture of Flat Stanley and turn in at any of our 3 locations. Watch www.cmpl.org for updates on where Flat Stanley has been. Flat Stanley will be available June 1-August 6.

Summer Toddler Series
Children ages 2-4 are invited to the North Branch for fun!

Lisa’s Dance Party
Join Mrs. Lisa for 30 minutes of dancing fun on Tuesday, June 28 at 10 a.m. A music list will be available after the event.

Toddler Crafts
Get creative at Toddler Crafts. This program will be offered at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Tuesday, July 12.

Parachute Games
Join us for thirty minutes of parachute fun on Tuesday, July 26 at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

No Bake Cooking
Make some tasty summer snacks in No Bake Cooking at the North Branch on Tuesday, July 19 at 2 p.m. Please note-we will be using peanut butter in this program. This program is for ages 6-12.

Grossology
Children ages 4 and up can get goopy at the South Branch on Monday, July 25 at 2 p.m. when they create a variety of concoctions from safe materials.

One World, Many Crafts
Visit the South Branch as we create a craft from a different continent each week: Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, South America & North America. Crafts for preschoolers will be on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and school-aged children on Wednesdays at 2:30 p.m. beginning the week of June 29 and running through the week of August 3.

Magic in the Library!
On Monday, July 18 Baffling Bill the Magician will amaze you with his special brand of magic. Gus the Bunny will also make an appearance.

Join us at the North Branch at 10:30 a.m. and the South Branch at 1:30 p.m. for this delightful show. North Branch program is for ages 3-12.

Magic Carpet Theatre
With a few props and the storytelling talents of the Magic Carpet Theatre troupe, stories will come alive right before our eyes. This imaginative production will be at the Main Library on Wednesday, July 27 at 2:30 p.m. This family show is open to all ages. No registration required.
Little Chefs International
Join us at the Main Library to share food-related stories, edible craft and simple recipes. Each session will focus on a different country. This program is for children 5 – 10. The programs will be on the following Thursdays at 2:30 p.m.: June 23, July 7, July 21, and August 4. 

Jewelry Around the World
Dazzle your friends with delightful jewelry made at the South Branch on Saturday, August 6 at 2 p.m. This program is for children in grades K-5.

Out of This World Party
We’ve spent the whole summer learning about our world—now let’s celebrate the places and creatures beyond! Bring your astronauts and aliens, ages 4-8, to the Main Library on Tuesday, August 23 at 10 a.m. for a morning of games and crafts that are out of this world!

Xtreme Readers at the South Branch
Children ages 7-12 can register for the next book club meeting and pick up your book at the South Branch reference desk on the date of the previous book club. Participants get to keep a copy of the book. Saturday, May 21 at 2 p.m.: The Fabled Fourth Graders of Aesop Elementary School by Candace Fleming

Saturday, June 18 at 2 p.m.: Squish by Jennifer Holm

Saturday, July 16 at 2 p.m.: Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard Atwater

Saturday, August 20 at 2 p.m.: Among the Hidden by Margaret Haddix

Online Book Club
Are you in fourth or fifth grade and looking for something different to do? The Kids Read online book club may be just what you are looking for! Read any or all of our titles from the past 3 years. Copies can be put on hold to be transferred to your branch. Then, answer the questions that are available with the book or are listed online at http://kidsreadcmpl.blogspot.com/ or by emailing kidsread@cmpl.org. You can find the list of 28 books at http://kidsreadcmpl.blogspot.com/

= Registration is required. Two weeks prior for residents. One week prior for non-residents.

Crime Investigation
The Ann Arbor Hands On Museum will present a Crime Lab workshop at the North Branch on Monday, August 1 at 2 p.m. This interactive program will let you try your hand at crime solving techniques. This program is for grades 4-8.

PAWS for Reading
PAWS for Reading is a program for children learning to read. Reading to a dog helps early readers build confidence in their literacy skills. No registration required.

A PAWS dog will visit the Main Library on the following Mondays at 6:30 p.m.: May 9, May 23, June 13, June 27, July 11, July 25, August 8 and August 22.

PAWS dogs will be at the North Branch on Tuesday, June 7 at 6:30 p.m. and at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, July 5 and Tuesday, August 2.

A PAWS dog will visit the South Branch on Monday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m.

Wrap-up programs
Schreer Genius will bring our summer reading program to a close on Tuesday, August 9. This interactive program is sure to leave you wondering ‘how did he do that?’ The show at the Main Library is at 10:30 a.m. and at the North Branch at 1:30 p.m. Open to all ages at Main. Open to ages 2-12 at North. Registration is required for North only.

Joel Tacey makes a return visit to the South Branch on Tuesday, August 9 at 10 a.m. His One-derful World Comedy Show will have you laughing out loud and smiling for the rest of the day.

Back to School Story Time
Summer vacation is almost over at our Back to School Story Time at the North Branch on Wednesday, August 31 at 10:30 a.m. We’ll pull out our favorite back to school books for this fun program. This story time is for ages 4-8.
Teen Program Reminder
All programs are for students entering 6th through 12th grades in the fall ONLY. To register call 226-5030 or visit www.cmpl.org. When you see this symbol registration is required.

Teen Advisory Council
The final TAC meeting will be Wednesday, May 11 at 4 p.m. See you again in the Fall!

Open Gaming
We’ll have the video game systems out at the Main Library from 3-5 p.m. on the following Tuesdays: June 28, July 12, July 26 and August 9.

Brawl Tournament
We’re issuing a formal challenge to the teens of the Rochester Hills Public Library. Our reputation will be on the line when we battle them online in Super Smash Brothers Brawl on Saturday, June 4 from 2:30-5:30 p.m. There will be prizes for the best players at CMPL, and a trophy to the triumphant library.

Yoga
Join us at the Main Library as a yoga instructor teaches basic yoga techniques! Wear comfy clothes and bring a mat or towel. Saturday, June 25 at 2 p.m. and Saturday, August 6 at 11 a.m.

ComicCon
It’s time to celebrate all things awesome at the second CMPL ComicCon at the Main Library! Come dressed as your favorite manga, anime, video game or literary character on Saturday, July 23 from 12 p.m.-4 p.m.! There will be prizes for the best costumes. We’ll have games to play (video and board), crafts and dessert sushi to make, videos to watch, manga/anime style drawing lessons from a local artist, and more. Lunch will be provided!

Are you in The Club?
The Summer Reading Club starts June 20! Come pick up your entry form at any location. The teen program is simple: Read anything you want, just keep track of how much time you spend reading. After 15 hours come pick up your first prize, after an additional 15 come pick up another prize as well as an invitation to the Wrap-up Party! All teens who complete the program will automatically be entered into a drawing to win one of 3 $75 Visa gift cards. That’s right: Just for keeping track of your reading you could win $75.

Snakes in the library
We’re tired of the kids getting all the sweet programs with live animals, so this summer we’re bringing in R.E.P.T.I.L.E., Inc just for the teens. They’ve always got a wide variety of snakes and other reptiles to learn about and get up close and personal with. Visit the Main Library on Saturday, July 30 at 2 p.m. to see the cool reptiles Mike Brophy is bringing. TEENS ONLY. No parents or younger siblings will be admitted.

ComicCon
Teen programs are expanding to the branches this summer!

Dessert Sushi
No raw fish here! We’ll make cute and delicious sushi using candy and other sweet treats. Visit the North Branch on Saturday, July 9 at 11 a.m. and at 2 p.m. at the South Branch.

Duct Tape Crafts
Come make an assortment of durable crafts with duct tape! Visit the North Branch on Thursday, June 30 at 2 p.m. Visit the South Branch on Thursday, July 21 at 2 p.m.

Pizza and Paperbacks
The popular P&P book club for teens 13 and up continues through the summer! Pick up your FREE copy of the books at the reference desk. We’ll meet at the South Branch on the following Fridays at 4 p.m.: May 20, June 10, July 22 and August 12.

Summer Reading Wrap up:
LASER TAG
With the help of Chris Nordman Associates (http://eventfun.biz), we’ve rented a GIANT INFLATABLE LASER TAG COURSE for our summer reading wrap up. We’re staying late on Friday, August 19 for some intense fun at the Main Library. Dinner and snacks will be provided, and there will be video games and other activities as well. You MUST COMPLETE the summer reading program to participate. More details will be provided upon completion!

Check Out a Book Discussion Kit
Are you a member of a book discussion group, or are you looking to start one on your own? CMPL can help! We have book discussion kits that include multiple copies of a book and a list of discussion questions to get you started. Recently we’ve added several new kits based on recommendations from readers. The following kits are new:

- *Prayers for Sale* by Sandra Dallas
- *Someone Knows My Name* by Lawrence Hill
- *Loving Frank* by Nancy Horan
- *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini
- *The Piano Teacher* by Janice Lee
- *Let the Great World Spin* by Colum McCann
- *Sarah’s Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay
- *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Pie Peel Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer
- *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout
- *The Shack* by William Young
- *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese

Call Popular Materials (586) 226-5050 to reserve a book discussion kit for a specific date.

A Walk in the Park
Clinton Township recently completed work on a walking and bike path that connects the Clinton-Macomb Public Library and Clinton Township Civic Center to the Tomlinson Arboretum. Located across from the library, the recently dedicated walking and bike path is composed of crushed limestone. This type of surface is considered ideal for walking and bike riding and requires little maintenance.

The Arboretum pathway completes a three-mile walking experience nicknamed the “golden triangle” that starts at the Clinton Kalamazoo Canal Park on Clinton River at Canal Road, and ends at Hayes and 18 Mile Roads.
**Korean War Documentary**
The Lorenzo Cultural Center is celebrating the 1950s and CMPL is helping to shed some light on an important event of the decade—the Korean War. On Tuesday, May 3 at 1 p.m. the Main Library will screen a documentary about the Korean War. You’ll also get a little more information about the exhibition. **Registration begins April 19.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

**Ernest Hemingway - His Life and Art**
Ernest Hemingway – journalist, short-story writer, and novelist – is one of the most well known authors of the 20th Century. His writings were based on experiences accumulated throughout a lifetime of emotional highs and lows. Some find his well-publicized life as interesting as the stories he wrote. Many of his early summers were spent in Northern Lower Michigan, the setting of a number of his short stories. There are even connections to Clinton Township and Mount Clemens.

Join Bob Carlson at the Main Library at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 5 for a presentation on the life and works of Ernest Hemingway. **Registration begins April 21.** Call 226-5050 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org

**Forgotten Detroit**
Detroiter knows their history well. Paul Vachon will be at the Main Library on Tuesday, May 10 at 7 p.m. to delve into the lesser-known area of Detroit’s rich history. Vachon’s presentation tells some of the fascinating and less familiar stories about the city’s past that he uncovered during his research. Paul will do this by sharing his own reflections and through a PowerPoint presentation that will feature text and pictures. He’ll end by fielding questions from the audience. **Registration begins April 26.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

**Foreclosure Information and Prevention**
Are you at risk of losing your home? Are you struggling to make current mortgage payments? We can help you learn more about the process of foreclosure and what options you have. Lighthouse Community Development is an organization that specializes in home preservation. They will visit the Main Library at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18 to discuss the foreclosure process, tell you the steps you can take to stay in your home and answer questions you may have. **Registration begins May 4.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

**Learn About eReaders**
Graduation season is here. Are you thinking about giving an eReader as a graduation or Father’s Day gift? Come to the Main Library and learn more about which eReaders might be right for you or a loved one. Visit us on Monday, May 23 from 7:30–8:30 p.m. or Saturday, June 4 from 10–11 a.m. to see what eReaders are all about. **Registration begins May 9.** Call 226-5050 or visit the What’s Happening page to register.
Are you in The Club?
The summer reading club isn’t just for children and teens! Starting June 20 adults are also invited to participate in the Summer Reading Club at CMPL. Participants have the chance to win a bi-weekly prize along with a grand prize drawing at the end of the summer.

This year the bi-weekly prize is a reading journal and a gift card. The grand prize is a Target gift card. What better way to read a good book and promote reading to children, grandchildren or friends and neighbors? Simply read three books and fill out the entry form telling us how you’d rate the books you read. It’s that simple. Discover Novel Destinations this summer by joining the Adult Summer Reading Club.

Card-Making Program
Get creative at the Main Library on Thursday, June 9 at 1 p.m. We will make an assortment of three different cards for you to give to friends or loved ones. We will supply the materials and sample cards for a birthday card, thank you card and a generic card. You supply the creativity to put it all together. Registration begins May 26. Call 226-5050 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Check-Out Changes Contest
Look how much we’ve grown! Adults 18 and over can take a guess at how many check-outs there have been in the years since their branch opened (10 years for North; 11 years for South). Here’s a hint... in 2010, the entire library system circulated nearly two million items! Turn in your best guess at the self-check stations at either North or South Branch. This contest runs from August 15 through August 26.

Computer Tutoring
Computer classes at the Main Library and South Branch will be on vacation until September. Check the next newsletter for details. Thanks to all the tutors who volunteer their time and talents to make these classes possible!

Language: the key to the world
CMPL is a great place to find learning materials to help you improve your knowledge of a second or third language. The Main Library offers materials in a variety of languages to assist you in becoming proficient in foreign languages including: English (ESL), Arabic, Hebrew, Chinese, Japanese, Spanish, French, German, Italian, Russian, Polish, Pashto and Dari (Afghanistan), Hausa, Hindi, Urdu (Pakistan), Zulu, Tagalog and Ojibway. The size of each collection varies according to demand and availability.

In addition to materials, we also subscribe to Mango Languages, which will help you learn a foreign language online. There are 34 different languages from which to choose. Mango Languages is a wonderful resource for those looking to become fluent in a foreign language as well as those who would just like to pick up a little conversation for traveling. Residents can access this database from home as well as from inside the library.

Finally, for those already fluent in another language, the library offers books and movies in 12 different languages. Check our website at www.cmpl.org, hover over the “We Recommend” tab and click on “Foreign Languages” or call the Popular Materials Department at 226-5050 for information on foreign language films.

Troy Public Library Closing
Sadly, one of our neighbors, Troy Public Library, will close its doors on Sunday, May 1. In order to ensure that CMPI receives its materials in a timely manner, please do not return CMPL materials to Troy after May 1. You can still return our items to any other SLC library. Thank you.
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Korean War Documentary
Main Library

Wednesday, May 4 at 12 p.m.
Brown Bag Book Discussion
Main Library

Thursday, May 5 at 7 p.m.
Hemingway: His Life and Art
Main Library

Tuesday, May 10 at 7 p.m.
Forgotten Detroit
Main Library

Wednesday, May 11 at 4 p.m.
TAC Meeting
Main Library

Wednesday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents The Social Network
Main Library

Thursday, May 12 at 7 p.m.
Novel Conversations
Main Library

Saturday, May 14 at 10:30 a.m.
Fancy Nancy Tea Party
Main Library

Saturday, May 14 at 12 p.m.
South Branch Book Discussion
South Branch

Sunday, May 15 at 2 p.m.
Music at Main: Swingin' Chopin
Main Library

Tuesday, May 17
Mystery Book Discussion
North Branch

Wednesday, May 18 at 6 p.m.
Foreclosure Workshop
Main Library

Thursday, May 19 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents The Social Network
Main Library

Friday, May 20 at 4 p.m.
Pizza and Paperbacks
South Branch

Saturday, May 21 at 2 p.m.
Xtreme Readers
South Branch

Monday, May 23 at 6:30 p.m.
Photo Scanner Tutorial
Main Library

Monday, May 23 at 7:30 p.m.
eReader Tutorial
Main Library

Tuesday, May 24 at 10 a.m.
Online Safety with MACE
Main Library

June
Wednesday, June 1 at 12 p.m.
Brown Bag Book Discussion
Main Library

Saturday, June 4 at 10 a.m.
eReader Tutorial
Main Library

Saturday, June 4 at 2:30 p.m.
Teen Brawl Tournament
Main Library

Wednesday, June 8 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents Morning Glory
Main Library

Thursday, June 9 at 1 p.m.
Card-making
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Main Library

Friday, June 10 at 4 p.m.
Pizza and Paperbacks
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Saturday, June 11 at 12 p.m.
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Tuesday, June 14 at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Parachute Games
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Thursday, June 16 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents Morning Glory
Main Library

Saturday, June 18 at 2 p.m.
Xtreme Readers
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Monday, June 20 at 2 p.m.
Summer Reading Kick-Off
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Mystery Book Discussion
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Wednesday, June 22 at 10:30 a.m.
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Wednesday, June 22 at 1:30 p.m.
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Thursday, June 23 at 2:30 p.m.
Little Chefs International
Main Library

Friday, June 24 & Saturday, June 25 at 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Mini Used Book Sale
Main Library

Friday, June 24 at 2 p.m.
Just Dance
North Branch

Saturday, June 25 at 2 p.m.
Teen Yoga
Main Library

Monday, June 27 at 2 p.m.
Paper Airplanes
North Branch

Tuesday, June 28 at 10 a.m.
Lisa's Dance Party
North Branch

Tuesday, June 28 at 3 p.m.
Teen Open Gaming
Main Library

Wednesday, June 29 at 10:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
One World, Many Crafts
South Branch

Thursday, June 30 at 9 a.m.
Sidewalk Chalk
Main Library

Thursday, June 30 at 10:30 a.m.
International Crafts
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Thursday, June 30 at 2 p.m.
Teen Duct Tape Crafts
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July
Wednesday, July 6 at 12 p.m.
Brown Bag Book Discussion
Main Library

Wednesday, July 6 at 2:30 p.m.
One World, Many Crafts
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Thursday, July 7 at 2 p.m.
CMPL presents Megamind
North Branch

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Little Chefs International
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Saturday, July 9 at 11 a.m.
Dessert Sushi for Teens
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Saturday, July 9 at 12 p.m.
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**Friends Mini-Used Book Sale**

Get great deals just in time for summer reading! The Friends of the Library will be hosting a mini-used book sale on **Friday, June 24** and **Saturday, June 25** from 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. in Conference Room B at the **Main Library**. Get great deals on our nicest used books just in time for summer vacation season.

**Swingin' Chopin**

Join us for a free hour of music open to all ages. The Friends of the Library will also be on hand to sell the best of their used books to support programs such as the concert series.

**Sunday, May 15 at 2 p.m.**:

_Swingin’ Chopin_. In celebration of the 200th anniversary of Frederic Chopin’s birth, prominent Detroit-area bassist Rich Kowalewski arranged some of the most beloved Chopin melodies in American and Latin American jazz styles.

**Identifying Local History**

In celebration of Michigan History Week from **May 15 through May 21**, we will display pictures of places and people our patrons have donated relevant to Clinton or Macomb Townships but have not given us detailed information. These pictures will be displayed in the showcases on the first floor of the **Main Library**.

If you or a family member recognize the location, person or approximate date a certain picture may have been taken, please notify a librarian so we may add these to our local history photo collection.